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HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A Palpable Hit.

In a local 'pargram,' the *N. C. Daily News* makes the following palpable hit:—Shanghai, Wednesday, 16th March 5 p.m. It is authoritatively contradicted that the nom de guerre of a local journal has been changed to 'Echo de Russie.'

The 'Yalu' Press.

The Manila papers are still spending money on red ink, says the *N. C. Daily News*. One which reports the capture after fearful fighting by 19,000 Japanese, of Chemulpo on the Yalu, is regarded as a specimen of American's yalu press.

From the Varyag.

A telegram in *Der Ostasiatische Lloyd* says:—The bodies of two Russian sailors have been recovered from the *Varyag*. They were buried with full military honours, men of all rank of war taking part in the ceremony by the request of the Japanese.

Chamber of Commerce Committee.

At the Committee meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on the 18th inst., the Chairman (Mr. E. A. Hewett) took the opportunity of expressing the pleasure it gave the Committee to have Mr. A. Haupt rejoin them on his return to the Colony. Mr. Haupt thanked the Chairman for his good wishes.

A Sailor's Funeral.

On Saturday afternoon, an A. B. from H.M.S. *Clara*, named Macdonald, was buried at Happy Valley. He was accorded a Naval funeral, the procession being headed by a band, and the coffin being drawn on a gun carriage and covered with the Union Jack. The funeral ceremony was conducted by the Roman Catholic Chaplain.

Shanghai Spring Meeting.

The Shanghai Spring Race Meeting is fixed to take place on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of May. Ten events are down for decision on each day—the Shanghai Gold Challenge Cup on the first day, the Shanghai Derby on the second, and the Race Club Challenge Cup and Champions on the last day.

Russian and Japanese Invalids.

The Red Cross Hospital ship *Hakua Maru*, with eighty-two Japanese officers and men on the sick list, and twenty-two Russian wounded from Chemulpo, arrived at Shimoda on the 10th inst. en route for Matsuyama. The Japanese invalids were all landed there. The Russians have all landed there. The Russians have all landed there. The Russians have all landed there.

Indo-China Charters.

The *N. C. Daily News* states:—The majority of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's fleet having been chartered by the Japanese Government for transport purposes, the Company has chartered no less than nineteen vessels for coasting trade. These include the L.C. steamers *Wingang* and *Taiyang*, which, with the Company's own vessel *Yoroku Maru*, will continue the regular weekly service between Yokohama and Shanghai.

India and Fiscal Reform.

At the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce on the 20th ult., the President, Mr. Cable, delivered a speech briefly recapitulating the events of the year. The fiscal question was touched upon, Mr. Cable expressing his agreement with the policy laid down in the despatch of the Government of India on the subject. Mr. Ross denounced Mr. Chamberlain's scheme. Sir Patrick Playfair commented upon the railway policy.

Declining German Birth-Rate.

There has been a steady decrease in the number of births in Germany during the last few decades. From 1870 to 1880 the number of births was 40.7 for every thousand inhabitants; during the following decade it fell to 38.2; and from 1890 to 1900 it was not more than 37.4, or about as much as during the fifties. In Berlin the decrease in the birth-rate has been especially marked; the total number of births in the capital being 1,700 less in 1903 than two years ago.

Port Arthur.

The *N. C. Daily News* of the 13th inst. published a telegram from Tokio stating that it was rumoured there that Port Arthur had been 'practically abandoned.' A Wei-haiwei telegram on the 14th inst. also stated that Port Arthur had been taken, but our Shanghai contemporary published an 'Extra' on the same day stating:—Telegrams have been received from Port Arthur and from Tientsin, dated this morning, absolutely denying the report that Port Arthur has been evacuated. On the 15th inst. the *Manila Cablenews* published a 'Tokio' telegram, stating:—'What is considered as a well-authenticated report has reached here to the effect that Port Arthur has been captured by the Japanese.' So far, however, it would seem that Port Arthur has not surrendered.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

It is reported that the Russians have burned Wiju and retired.

The British collier *Easton Hall* arrived at Chefoo on the 11th inst. from Port Arthur.

The O. S. K. has chartered the steamers *Royal*, 1883 tons, *Victoria*, 1837 tons, and *Providence*.

The Japanese steamer *Shinku Maru*, 2,918 tons, built in 1873, has stranded and sunk in Korean waters.

Mr. T. F. Hough and Mr. G. L. Tomlin have been added to the list of non-Official Justices of the Peace.

Mr. F. Anderson has been appointed Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council and Mr. O. Meuser Vice-Chairman.

The M. M. S. *Sydney* called at Nagasaki on this voyage to bring away the crews of the Russian vessels made prizes by the Japanese.

It is reported that the Chinese of Shanghai have already subscribed Tls. 50,000 towards the International Red Cross Society from there.

A list giving the numbering of houses in the Peak district is published in the *Gazette*. Copies can be obtained upon application at the Treasury.

The *Norway Vreng* welcomes the loss of Port Arthur as likely to mark an epoch in Russian civilisation, similar to that which followed the fall of Sebastopol.

A Chinese girl, ten years of age, was kidnapped in Shanghai last year, and sold to a brothel keeper for Tads 150. Two men have now been arrested in connection with the affair.

This from the *Globe*:—The Czars dominions, says M. de Witte, are like a wheel with a huge rim with inadequate spokes. Japan is about to insert another spoke in that wheel.

His Excellency the Officer administering the Government has received satisfactory proof of the appointment of Monsieur Léon Robert to be Procureur General des Missions Étrangères in Hongkong.

The Great Man.

We call the following from the *N. C. Daily News*:—When Sir Pelham Warren was leaving Medhurst College (Shanghai) on Saturday, one of the Committee went out to call his riches for him, and asked, in Chinese, 'Who brought the English Consul here?' There was no response, and the obliging policeman at the gate shouted out, in Chinese, 'Who brought the Great Man here?' From a contiguous freshman came the reply: 'I don't know the Great Man, but I brought the man with the great hat.'

Significant, if True.

The Tientsin correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* writes on Russian unpreparedness for the war with Japan, and adds:—Another little incident has both its humorous and its significant side. A Russian officer visited Pootung to make surveys and acquaint himself with the surrounding country. As he could not speak Chinese, he was evidently trusting to luck for some way of communication for his last success. Fortunately for him a well-dressed young Chinaman came on the same train who could speak French with whom he got into conversation, the result being that he consented to become interpreter and assistant to the Russian officer.

Whether or not the officer ever learned that his assistant was a Japanese deponent saith not, but such was the fact.

Boxers Recrudescence.

Writing from Tungchangle, Shantung, on the 6th inst., the correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* says:—In the district of Hsiching the Boxers have come to life. They have been heard from in various towns and villages before this, but it has been hitherto impossible to get proof. In this instance there seems no good reason to doubt. But they are very cautious. The society has changed its name to 'Great Buddha Sect,' and members worship the sage of India at their meetings. Otherwise there is no change; they meet and practise with the sword under the same moon as led them forth to harry the native Christians in 1900.

The change of name shows disaffection caused by the appropriation of the temple lands. The movement will probably be speedily quelled, but were there to be famine in this region which has never felt the scourge of a foreign army, it might become formidable.

Natural Modesty.

The natural modesty of many people who have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy for Diarrhoea, Dysentery, etc., with splendid results, make them hesitate about giving their opinion for publicity. Still, these same people have done much to make Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy a household word; for they have by word of mouth informed their friends what a good medicine it is, to have in the house. Once used, always kept, follows this medicine around the world. For sale by all chemists and medicine vendors, WATKINS & CO., General Agents.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Hongkong Fire Brigade.

Among the passengers on the *Palmer* which arrived on Saturday, was Mr. R. D. Lane, from the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, London. He has been appointed assistant engineer to the Hongkong Fire Brigade.

The Kaiser at Dover.

H. M. the Kaiser was cordially welcomed at Dover by the local authorities. He made his next stop at Vigo, where King Alfonso of Spain, in his yacht *Giralda*, anchored next to the *Konig Albert*, by which the Kaiser is travelling.

Alleged Arson.

Four Chinamen—the master, accountant, cook and cooie of 286 Queen's Road—were prosecuted by Inspector McNab on a charge of arson. After formal evidence of arrest a remand was granted until the 25th inst., bail in \$1,000 each being allowed.

The Iron Horse.

The Soochow correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* wrote on the 16th inst.:—The Railway is said to have reached Eding, a town 12 miles to the east of Soochow, at least the engineers are reported there in force. This is accepted by the Chinese as an indisputable evidence of progress.

'Peking and Tientsin Times.'

The *N. C. Daily News* says:—We have been asked to contradict most emphatically the statement that has appeared in print, that the *Peking and Tientsin Times* has been purchased by the Russians. The paper is now, as it always has been, British-owned and British-edited.

Russian Refugees at Shanghai.

There are over 250 Russian refugees in Shanghai at the present moment, and the *N. C. Daily News* says:—Russian refugees, who are daily arriving in large numbers, are now being quartered in the disused French Camp in Sicaewai Road, an arrangement which will be greatly appreciated by the residents of Shanghai.

Important Land Sale.

At Government Offices to-day, Mr. L. C. Rees, Land Officer, exposed for sale by public auction Marine Lot No. 285 at North Point. The lot contains 291,132 square feet, the annual rent is \$2078, and the upset price was \$70,400. There was no competition, and the lot was knocked down to Messrs Geo. Fenwick and Co. for \$70,000 or \$200 above the upset price. This works out at a fraction over 35 cents per foot. Messrs Fenwick propose to build a shipway and a modern engineering establishment on the new site, disposing of their present valuable site on Praya East.

The Opening of Kiangmen.

A letter intimating the opening of the port of Kiangmen to trade having been received by the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, from the Acting Colonial Secretary, the Chairman (Mr. E. A. Hewett) said it was satisfactory to know that after the many representations that had been made from time to time by the Chamber, Kiangmen had now been opened to foreign trade. He was afraid that there were still certain difficulties in the way before the advantage of the port could be fully availed of by merchants and river steamer owners, and it might be necessary later on to make further representations to H. M. Minister at Peking on the subject.

The Siberian Railway.

A mail paper has the following interesting points about the Siberian railway:—Number of stations on complete line, 300; staff on railway, 14,738; number of locomotives, 701; number of passenger carriages, 548; number of goods wagons, 7,743; number of mail vans, 33; miles of line in Siberia, 3,559; miles of line in Manchuria, 1,444; Moscow to Irkutsk, 8 days; Irkutsk to Manchuria (771 miles) rail and 50 miles ferry, 74 hours; across Manchuria, 949 miles to Port Arthur, 77 hours; former east terminus for Vladivostok, Strouensk; west terminus of Vladivostok railway, Khabarovsk; river steamer route to connect Khabarovsk and Strouensk, 1,340 miles; Vladivostok to London by rail (7,092 miles), 17½ days.

What the Boer Prisoners Learnt.

It is pleasant to know, says the *Pioneer*, that the involuntary visit paid by so many of the Boers to India and Ceylon has had the effect of teaching them to recognise the difference between Indian natives and African. The town populations, who have to view the question of Asiatic labour as one of the settlement of large gangs of imported coolies in their neighbourhood, are not unreasonably strong on the point of segregation and sanitary regulations; but the rural interest, which in its way is feeling the want of labour just as much, looks at the matter differently. A Johannesburg correspondent tells us that he was informed last month by the leading spirit of a Transvaal Farmers Association that the Boers consider it does not go far enough, and that what they want is Indian labourers for their farms. The idea is hardly practical, for the Government here could never lend itself to the exportation of Indians destined to disappear out of sight in the scattered homesteads of the veldt. Enough will have been done on both sides if India furnishes the labourers for the railways and irrigation work; but it is hardly the way for their employment in this capacity to know that the Boers themselves are so well disposed to welcome their arrival.

TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

SUPPLIED BY REUTERS, via BOMBAY.

THE COTTON MARKET.

FAILURE OF THE 'BULL' LEADER.

Wheat Market Smashed.

London, March 18.

Mr. Sully, the leader of the cotton 'bulls' in America, has failed.

His failure has caused a panic in the cotton market, and the exchange price of that commodity dropped three hundred points.

The wheat market is also smashed, and stocks are seriously depressed.

Great excitement has been created. The losses of those who have failed are estimated at over two million dollars.

THE FRENCH PARLIAMENT.

VOTE OF CENSURE DEFEATED.

A Ministerial Split.

In the French Chamber of Deputies, M. Millerand (Minister of Commerce, Industry and Posts and Telegraphs in M. Waldeck-Rousseau's Administration) charged the Government with neglecting the interests of the working classes by delaying the progress of the measure for Workmen's Pensions and by confining itself to fighting religious bodies.

M. Jaures defended the Premier, M. E. Combes, and the Chamber by a vote of 284 against 265 approved of the Government's policy.

This vote indicates a serious split in the ranks of the Ministerialists.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

LOSS OF A BRITISH SUBMARINE BOAT.

London, March 18.

It is officially reported that Submarine Boat No. A.I. has been sunk by a liner off the Nab. All hands were lost, including Lieutenant Mansergh and Sub-Lieutenant Preston Churchill.

RUSSIA AND KOREA.

London, March 18.

It is authoritatively stated in St. Petersburg that Russia does not consider Korea a belligerent because of her attitude towards Japan.

THE LATE DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.

The late Duke of Cambridge will be buried in Kensal Green Cemetery beside his wife. A State service will be held in Westminster Abbey on Tuesday.

THE GERMAN EMPEROR'S MEDITERRANEAN TOUR.

London, March 18.

The German Emperor has arrived at Gibraltar. General Sir George White boarded the *Koenig Albert* to welcome His Majesty, who landed in a launch between two rows of boats from the British Squadron. The Kaiser then drove with General Sir George White and a brilliant suite to the chief points on the rock. The German flag was hoisted while a royal salute was fired from the galleries. The Kaiser will remain at Gibraltar for three days. The British Naval and Military display was most impressive.

THE LOSS OF A SUBMARINE

London, March 19.

Eleven lives were lost in the sinking of the British Submarine boat No. A. I. The boat was of the newest type and was inspected by the King and the Prince of Wales on their recent visit to Portsmouth. The accident occurred during manoeuvres: the Submarine was lying forty feet under water, with only her periscope showing, waiting to attack a battleship, when a Cape liner struck and sank her.

BARON SUYEMATSU IN ENGLAND.

Baron Suyematsu had an interview with Lord Lansdowne yesterday.

THE POPE ON FRENCH ANTI-CLERICAL MEASURES.

The Pope in a speech to members of the Sacred College deplored the rigorous anti-clerical measures taken by France, which, he said, were contrary to the idea of the liberty and rights of the Catholic Church and to the laws of civilisation. The speech is considered significant in view of the approaching visit of President Loubet to Rome.

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TELEGRAMS.

[DER OSTASIATISCHE LLOYD SERVICE.]

GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

BERLIN, March 11.

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

THE SITUATION AT PORT ARTHUR.

SHANGHAI, March 17.

The Norwegian ship, Brand, Stensvad, and Argo arrived here from Port Arthur yesterday in ballast. They left Port Arthur on Sunday, having discharged their cargoes there. The Brand had been in Port Arthur no less than six weeks and has consequently seen all that has occurred there since war broke out. The Argo and Stensvad were in Port Arthur four weeks. Before leaving, the captains of these three steamers were compelled by the Russian authorities to sign declarations that they would divulge nothing of what they had seen in Port Arthur. It is stated that during the bombardment of the 14th February, the forts at Port Arthur were not at all damaged, and have not since suffered any damage. The battleships Retvizan and Czarvich and cruiser Pallada were put out of action in the torpedo attack on the night of the 10th February, but the Pallada is now completely repaired. For three weeks after that attack there was firing nightly, but these in Port Arthur at last became so used to it that no one bothered to turn out. In the various attacks several Japanese torpedo-boats are said to have been sunk, and in the torpedo attack on the morning of the 17th March one Russian destroyer was sunk by a party shot from the Japanese just as she was entering harbour. Port Arthur was bombarded on the 10th instant, the Russian fleet remaining inside the harbour. No damage was done to the town or forts, but a few Chinese were killed. Many of the Japanese shells failed to explode, and no damage was done to the fleet, though it is said that 19 men on board the Retvizan were killed, including Chinese the number of killed amounted to 50. Admiral Makarov had hoisted his flag on board the cruiser Askold and immediately after doing so went out and saluted the Japanese fleet. He also made several trips out of harbour on board the Askold, and on the night of the 10th instant, previous to the torpedo engagement, was out on a torpedo boat. The statement that in the engagement of the 10th February the Askold had her funnel struck up and is said to be only partially true. Her funnel was slightly damaged and taken down, but was shortly afterwards patched up and rehoisted. On the 11th instant, after the last bombardment, the Russian fleet went out to sea, but returned without having engaged the Japanese fleet. The reports as to part of Port Arthur having been in flames is, we are assured, totally untrue, and it is said that the reports received here as to Russian losses are 90 per cent fiction. Before leaving Port Arthur, the three steamers above-mentioned were required to give an undertaking not to call at Chefoo. They brought here several Chinese passengers, but no foreigners. Although they had very clear weather in the early part of the voyage they saw nothing whatever of any Japanese men-of-war. N. O. Daily News.

RUSSIANS UNWILLING.

The following is from the *Kobe Herald*: London, 14th March.—The Russian troops at Sevastopol and Vihore fortresses declined to proceed to the Far East and had to be forcibly entrained.

CHINA'S NEUTRALITY AND RUSSIA.

Peking, March 7.—M. Lessar, Russian Minister to Peking, has sent a note to the Chinese Government informing them that the neutrality of China will not be respected unless they give the Tartar General and other officials orders to suppress the mounted bandits, who are destroying the Manchurian railway and telegraphs.

RUSSIAN REQUEST TO CHINA.

Originally the Russians instigated the mounted bandits to attack the natives in order that they might have an excuse for stationing troops in Manchuria. Now the natives have been turned and the Russians are suffering from the outrages of the bandits. The consequence is they are urging the Chinese Government to suppress them. At the same time, they refuse to allow the Government to send more troops into Manchuria. The Chinese Government are much annoyed by the Russian attitude and so far they have not replied to the Russian Minister's note.

Chinese and the Russian Railway.

The Russian authorities at Liaoyang have prohibited Chinese from passing within 10 Chinese miles of the railway. They intend to utilise the houses in this area for the accommodation of troops shortly expected from Europe. There are 4,000 men at Liaoyang at present; but they are frightfully disorderly, looting the Chinese stores, etc., whenever they have an opportunity.—*Fig.*

TRADE PROSPECTS AT NEW-CHWANG.

In their market report dated Newchwang 3rd inst., Messrs Bannister and Co. write:—Arrivals of Produce during the winter are much less than the average of years, farmers and larger growers forcing to forward their goods to the inland depots, and capitalists and merchants hesitating to invest in the recent and present state of affairs.

Therefore an unusual quantity of Beans and Grain remains stored in the small towns and villages through the preceding districts.

It is stated also that about 300,000 piculs Beans were sent by rail to Danying in the early part of the winter, of which rather more than half was shipped to Japan, the rest arriving too late.

Stocks in port are estimated at Beans 525,000 piculs, Bean Oil 52,240 piculs, Beanscake five cwt. Grain Oil 2,000 piculs, Malon Seeds 25,000 piculs.

Stocks of Beans at the three principal depots in the interior are estimated not to exceed 1,360,000 piculs.

Prices are:—Beans... per 3 piculs Tls. 7.90 to Tls. 8.00. What... 12.00. Large Millet... 7.00. Small Millet... 10.00. Beanscake per 10 piculs Tls. 9.00 each Tls. 9.50 credit.

Bean Oil per picul Tls. 8.20 each Tls. 8.60 credit.

The temperature during the winter has been steadily though not extremely cold, and the ice is thicker than during the last few years.

Although there has lately been some warm days with south wind, we think it probable that the ice will not break much before the 15th inst.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

His Excellency the Officer Administrator of the Government, the Hon. F. H. May, presided at the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held to-day.

There were also present:—Major-General VILLIERS HAYTON, (C.B., Officer Commanding the Troops.)

Hon. A. M. THOMSON (Acting Colonial Secretary.)

Hon. Sir H. S. BERKELEY (Attorney General.)

Hon. L. A. M. JOHNSON (Acting Colonial Treasurer.)

Hon. W. CHATHAM (Director of Public Works.)

Hon. Captain BARNES LAWRENCE (Harbour Master.)

Hon. A. W. BURNIN (Registrar General.)

Hon. Sir C. P. CHATER.

Hon. Dr Ho Kai.

Hon. Wei A Yik.

Hon. H. E. POLLOCK, K. C.

Hon. GERSHON STEWART.

Mr R. F. JOHNSON (Acting Clerk of Councils.)

LEPROSY.

Mr H. E. Pollock proposed the following motion:—

"That, in view of the letter which was recently addressed by Mr Jonathan Davidson, F.R.S., to the *Times* newspaper on the subject of leprosy being caused by tainted fish, it is desirable that the Hongkong Government should cause an inquiry to be made into the question by its Medical Officers."

He quoted from letters in the *Times* and the *Hongkong Telegraph* in support of Mr Davidson's theory, and said there was sufficient ground for every Government to cause its medical advisers to make enquiries into the connection between the consumption of decomposing or badly cured fish and leprosy.

Sir Paul Chater seconded.

Mr Thomson explained that the Government had decided to enquire the matter. Such an enquiry as is indicated, he said, involves protected bacteriological investigation. Leprosy is not a disease that is prevalent in the Colony, and it is considered that the time of the Government bacteriologists will be better employed in prosecuting investigations into diseases which more directly affect the public health of the Colony. As far as present scientific knowledge goes the Bacillus Leprosi does not grow outside the living human body.

His Excellency said he had made particular enquiries at the Government bacteriologist, who is the only medical official who could conduct such an investigation, and he had replied that it would take up a good deal more of his time than could be spared by the Colony.

Sir H. Berkeley pointed out that this was a question which could not be settled by any local enquiry.

Mr Pollock pressed for a division with the following result:—

For the motion:—The Harbour Master, Sir Paul Chater, Dr Ho Kai, Messrs Wei Yik, Pollock, Dickson and Stewart (7).

Against:—General Hayton, Colonial Secretary, Attorney General, Colonial Treasurer, Director of Public Works, Registrar General, and His Excellency (7).

His Excellency gave his casting vote against the motion.

UNOFFICIAL QUESTIONS AND OFFICIAL ANSWERS.

Mr H. E. Pollock proposed the following motion:—

"That it is desirable that the replies to questions which are put by Unofficial Members of Council should be published in the Government Gazette in addition to the questions themselves."

Mr Pollock having spoken in support of the motion, Mr Stewart seconded.

Mr Thomson said the Government opposed the motion because:—(1) The answers are recorded in Hansard; (2) The present practice is the correct one.

Sir H. Berkeley maintained that the present practice was the correct one, and was followed by all other Legislative bodies.

Upon a division, the seven officials outvoted the six unofficials.

STREET SCAVENGING.

The Hon. Gershom Stewart asked the following question:—

"Will the Government take into consideration the advisability of improving the surface of the present means of scavenging and scavenging the public roads, as there are often very unsightly from pieces of paper, banana skins and chewed sugar cane lying about?"

Mr Thomson replied:—Under No. 2 of conditions of the Scavenging Contract the Contractor must "twice daily sweep and cleanse the surface of all the public and private streets and roads with their foot-paths, side channels and steps and also all courts, lanes, alleys and passages within the City of Victoria." It would not be possible to sweep the streets more frequently without causing some inconvenience and complaints have been recently received concerning the nuisance caused in the busy parts of the City by the streets being swept between the hours of 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. and 12 a.m. and 2 p.m. when many persons cross the streets to and from their offices.

Professor Simpson at page 112 of his final report states "The general scavenging of the streets is the best in the East, and is remarkably good considering the conditions under which it has to be carried out." The attention of the Acting Captain Superintendent of Police has been drawn to nuisances caused by hawkers and others in throwing rubbish on the streets.

LIGHT FOR THE PEAK.

Mr Gershom Stewart asked the following question:—

"In view of the heavy fogs and the difficulties and dangers of transport on the Peak roads at night, will the Government take into consideration some scheme for lighting the roads after dark, either by gas, or by strong oil lamps such as the Kiteon light, and prepare an estimate of the cost?"

Mr Thomson replied:—Government is not prepared to consider the question of lighting the Peak District at present owing to the considerable expense involved after deducting the revenue derived from the usual increase of rates.

NEW TERRITORIES BILL.

The Bill to amend the New Territories Land Order Ordinance, No. 18 of 1901, was read a second time, then through Committee, and then read a third time and passed.

SUGAR.

Sir H. Berkeley moved the second reading of a Bill entitled, "An Ordinance to enable effect to be given in this Colony to a Convention signed the Fifth day of March, 1903, in relation to sugar."

FOOTBALL—SHIELD FINAL.

Victory for H.M.S. 'Albion.'

The football season in Hongkong has now closed, and with it the competition for the Hongkong Challenge Shield has finished. Throughout the season some very good games in the Shield have been witnessed, and the interest attached to such games never flagged until the last kick of the ball on Saturday afternoon when the final game was played and won. Again a naval team has been victorious (with four naval teams in the semi-finals), and although the Hongkong Club showed up well in their preliminary ties, they failed to beat the boys from H.M.S. Ocean. Of the two competing teams on Saturday afternoon perhaps the *Albion*'s team has the better record.

They are at present the champions of the Navy League, having played eleven matches, with nine wins, one loss, and one draw. A good record, indeed. The weather for the last few days of the week had been rainy, but on Saturday the threatening clouds cleared, and although it was not a bright afternoon still it was dry, and the large crowd of people which lined the ropes and filled the grand stand to overflowing, waxed enthusiastic as the game progressed.

The ground was on the heavy side for fast play, nevertheless, the two teams played a rather interesting game. The *Albion*'s team played by far the better football, and deserved their win, which was very popular.

The teams were as follows:—

H.M.S. *Albion*: A. Barr, goal; J. Thompson and G. Oliver, backs; H. Stanley, T. G. Holmes and J. C. Spencer, halves; F. Forman, Ball, Mr M. F. Conde, Williams, A. M. Wallace and W. T. D. McGinnis, forwards.

H.M.S. *Ocean*: Mr Todd, goal; A. J. Macdonald and M. Briggs, backs; D. Martin, A. Smith, and C. Noyes, halves; D. Jackson, J. Hill, W. McCoy, H. Mills, and L. Townsend, forwards.

Referee, Mr R. Hancock.

Having lost the toss, McCoy for the *Ocean* kicked off, and at once made rapid strides towards Barry's territory. Williams intercepted the ball from the right, and sent over to McGinnis, who, however, controlled it, allowing Smith to clear. So far the *Albion* team had the better of the exchanges, but good luck played by McDonald and Briggs kept them out. McCoy gaining possession, he placed well out on the left to Mills and Townsend. This pair rushed off the wing, but their attempt to score failed. Play was once more returned to the other end of the field, where Forman had a splendid shot for goal, for which he was loudly cheered. Two or three minutes after this, from a scrimmage in front of Todd's goal, Noyes, in trying to clear a shot from McGinnis, was sent far in front, allowing the goalkeeper to catch the ball. Such good news was at once signalled to the Fleet by the other of the ship's signallers. From the restart the *Ocean* men endeavoured to force matters a little, and Jackson made off with the ball, only to lose it on the line. A corner off Oliver raised the hopes of the *Ocean* enthusiasts, the ball was beautifully placed in front of goal, where it remained for some time passing from foot to foot, until it eventually rolled behind. From midfield McGinnis caught the ball on the bounce and passed over to Williams, who rushed off goalwards, but his old fault was with him, namely, keeping his ball too far in front, allowing the goalkeeper to rush out and clear. The *Ocean*'s left wing pair struggled for an opening, but, Spencer was always equal to their tactics, and spoiled their every chance. A hot few minutes' attacking Todd's change brought out that player's capabilities as a goalkeeper. The *Ocean* men once more tried a flying visit to the other end of the field, and Barry had to rush out to save a long dropping shot from Smith, the centre half. Three corners in as many minutes, brought the *Albion*'s forwards towards Todd, but McCoy captured the ball and set off for the other end, only to be held by Thompson. It was a capital individual effort on McCoy's part, but Thompson beat him on the run for the ball, and kicked out to save. A corner was granted, but the *Albion*'s forwards secured the ball, and transferred play to midfield, where some exciting exchanges took place. A beautiful centre from Townsend was the result of really clever work, the proper place, and danger was averted. A good return by Sp. Noyes, who was playing a fine half-back game, allowed Williams and his forwards to get into shooting distance again, but Ball made a rather poor effort to score. Half time found the ball in the *Albion*'s territory, and the score stood: *Albion*, 1; *Ocean*, 0.

A very short breathing space, Williams set the game going once more. His career was checked by McDonald clearing in great style. The *Ocean* once more attacked and a brilliant shot from Townsend on the left, was cleverly saved by Barr. McGinnis read away with the ball, but Martin overtook him and kicked out. Barr, in saving from Smith, exceeded the limits of steps allowed the goalkeeper to travel with the ball in his hands, and a free kick was awarded. McCoy took the kick, but the ball failed to pierce the wall of defence, Spencer clearing well with a strong kick. At this stage of 6 games, the *Ocean* boys were having the greater share of the play, and with a little more luck, they might have opened their account. Townsend made a spirited dash along the wing, but Stanley knocked him off the ball, allowing it to run over. A corner kick granted the *Albion* was well placed, and for a time the forwards kept up a perfect bombardment of Todd's goal, and a brilliant straight shot from Forman landed the ball on the top of the net. A free kick and three throws-in allowed the *Ocean* forwards to work well down, but Oliver and Thompson blocked their progress.

A good try by Jackson went wide of the mark. A few minutes after McGinnis scored a brilliant goal, the *Albion*'s team were now in a state of excitement, while 'come away, give us some more,' were two favourite expressions from the grandstand. The *Albion*'s team now played a winning game, whereas the *Ocean*'s play seemed to fall away considerably.

From the centre the *Ocean* men got away, but not far, for Spencer was allowing them very little rope to play with. McGinnis sprang along the line and sent in a shot which Todd could only partially stop.

Williams rushed in and scored the third goal for his side. Most of the play now was coming from Forman and Ball on the right. Their pretty play was interesting.

The closing stages of a good game were enlivened by McGinnis sending over a beautiful centre to Williams, who shot with great force, the ball striking the outside of the uprights. A few more exchanges, with the *Ocean* men seldom over the centre line, and the referee's whistle proclaimed the game finished, with the *Albion*'s team victorious by 3 goals to 0.

PRESENTATION OF SHIELD AND MEDALS.

At the conclusion of the game Dr Atkinson addressed the two teams, remarking on the strength of the Naval footballers. This was the first time in the history of the challenge shield that four naval teams had been engaged in the semi-finals.

The Shield was handed over to the victorious team by Mrs Atkinson, and the medals were presented to the men.

Enthusiastic cheers for Dr and Mrs Atkinson, the winners (*Albion*) and the *Ocean* team terminated the proceedings.

The following are the results of the competition:—

FIRST ROUND.

H.M.S. *Leviathan*, 4—H.M.S. *Ocean*, 2.

H.M.S. *Tamar*, 2—V.R.C., 0.

H.K.F.C., 8—Naval Yard, 0.

H.M.S. *Ocean*, 12—B.L., 2.

Sherwood Foresters, 15—Rovers, 0.

SECOND ROUND.

H.M.S. *Albion*, 2—H.M.S. *Tamar*, 0.

H.M.S. *Leviathan*, 8—R.F.C., 0.

H.M.S. *Ocean*, 3—H.K.F.C., 2.

H.M.S. *Ocean*, 4—Sherwood Foresters, 2.

SEMI-FINAL.

H.M.S. *Ocean*, 4—H.M.S. *Leviathan*, 1.

After a draw of two goals each.

H.M.S. *Albion*, 4—H.M.S. *Ocean*, 1.

FINAL.

H.M.S. *Albion*, 3—H.M.S. *Ocean*, 0.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE BLAKE-SHEWAN WAP.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

HONGKONG, March 21.

Sir,—Next to the pros and cons, as to the capture of Port Arthur, the sorry war between the Hon. R. S. May and Sir Henry Dicks now occupies the public mind. And yet but little can be said that can be of much use. Personal recrimination never does any good. When Mr Showan referred to Sir Henry's partiality to the families of Chinese gentlemen, I take it he was criticising the policy of the Government. When Sir Henry refers to a distinctly higher plane than a certain class of Europeans, as to cultivation, habits and manners, he goes out of his way to be abusive. Far better it would have been if Sir Henry had not crossed the line in this way, and more dignified had he withheld this Irish bait. The war, I am afraid, may now go on for some time longer.

OLD RESIDENT.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG C.C. v. UNION CHURCH.

The Hongkong C.C. sustained their second defeat of the season on Saturday last. The Union Church team went in to bat first and compiled 177. F. E. Pearce, being responsible for 82. The Club could only scrape 116, and were defeated by 61 runs. The scores are as follow:—

UNION CHURCH.

A. Mackenzie (capt.), b Dixon... 24

T. E. Pearce, b Hooper, b Moore... 82

R. R. McGaskell, b Elliott... 2

Rev. H. R. Wells, b Rutherford... 2

C. R. S. George, b Dixon... 12

H. Arthur, b Elliott... 12

Rev. C. M. Hickling, run out... 14

W. C. Bonner, b Rutherford... 0

Geo. Grinnell, b Moore... 1

W. M. Eversall, b Moore... 0

C. C. Hickling, not out... 7

Sundries... 8

Total... 177

HONGKONG C.C.

R. Pansosky, b Wells, b Pearce... 4

Eng. Con. Curdo, R.N., b Cooper... 4

A. G. Ward (capt.), b Cooper... 3

Eng. La G. Moore, R.N., st Arthur, b Pearce... 24

J. Mahon, R.N., b Pearce... 9

H. M. Elliott, R.N., b Wells, b Cooper... 11

Williams, D.V., b McGaskell... 15

Surg. R. B. Hooper, R.N., b Pearce... 11

J. Hooper, b Cooper... 5

T. C. Gray, b Cooper... 0

N. H. Rutherford, not out... 0

Sundries... 9

Total... 116

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

UNION CHURCH.

Dixon... 14 2 62 2

Elliott... 9 1 52 0

Mahon... 4 0 25 2

Rutherford... 4 0 30 3

Moore... 4 1 10 2

HONGKONG C.C.

Cooper... 16 4 45 5

Pearce... 12 1 57 4

McGaskell... 1 2 0 1

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

At Happy Valley on Saturday the Civil Service defeated the Army Ordnance by four wickets and a run.

The scores are as follow:—

A.O.C.

Capt. Davies, b Withell... 15

Sergt. Major Webb, not out... 74

Sergt. Skinner, b Brett... 8

Sergt. Oliver, run out... 0

Corpl. Bromley, b Jackman... 1

Le. Doran, b Jackman... 1

Corpl. Bilton, c Dr. Atkinson, b Brett... 0

Corpl. Bradford, b Jackman... 0

Mr Gibbon, c Wooley, b Jackman... 2

Corpl. Blower, b Lambie... 1

Private Rainbird, not out... 0

Sundries... 4

Total (Innings declared)... 108

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.

R. O. Withell, not out... 63

A. C. Woodcock, b Davies... 1

Dr. Atkinson, b Bradford... 1

P. T. Lambie, l.b.w., b Davies... 12

H. T. Jackman, c Clair, b Doran... 7

H. J. Gidley, b Davies... 0

L. E. Brett, b Davies... 0

J. Lander, not out... 18

Sundries...

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

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Destination.	Vessel.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Bremen, &c.	Froussard (n)	Molchers & Co	March 30.
Bremen, &c.	Hamburg (s)	Molchers & Co.	April 15.
Bremen, &c.	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Molchers & Co.	April 27.
Bombay, Marla's Pool	Indouenne (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	April 20.
Genoa	Brigatisa (s)	Hamburg-Amk'ia Limit	April 12.
Helsing	Woeback (s)	China-H'land T'ing Co	March 27, at 4 p.m.
Hello	Tijpanas (s)	China-H'land T'ing Co	2nd half of March.
Japan	Chingta (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	March 29, at Noon.
Kobe	Peking (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 29.
London & Antwerp	Maclachon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 12.
London & Antwerp	Java (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 30.
London, &c.	Simla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	March 26, at Noon.
Manila	Shawmut (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 27, at 1 p.m.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About April 30.
Manila	Kufi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	April 2, at 10 a.m.
Manila	Kaifong (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 23.
Manila, Aus'lian Ports.	Australian (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	April 8, at Noon.
Manila, A'lian Ports.	Chingta (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 8.
Majoi and Portland, Or.	Atoll (s)	China S. S. Co., Ltd	March 26, at Noon.
New York & Suez Canal	Afridi (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	Early April
New York & Suez Canal	Konoebo (s)	Standard Oil Co.	About March 28.
Shanghai	Bengal (s)	P & O. S. N. Co.	About March 26.
Shanghai	Ichang (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	March 24, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Y'nnu	Salze (s)	Sander, Wierler & Co.	March 26, at p.m.
Shanghai, Kobe, P'bay &c.	Silene (s)	Sander, Wierler & Co.	March 23.
Shanghai, Kobe & F'low	Atoll (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	March 24.
Shanghai and Portland, Or.	Indravelli (s)	Portland & S. S. Co.	March 24.
Shanghai, K'oa & Y'nnu.	Serv Ferdinand (s)	Sander, Wierler & Co.	March 23, p.m.
Shanghai, Java, Calcutta.	Namrang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	March 32, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai, Java Ports, &c.	Tijmahai (s)	China-H'land T'ing Co	1st half of April.
Shanghai, Amoy & Ning	Tricos (s)	Oosaka Shosen Kaisha.	March 23, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Amoy & Y'nnu	M. Struve (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	March 24, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Amoy & F'low	Tijmahai (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	March 30, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Amoy & Tamsui	Harich (s)	Oosaka Shosen Kaisha.	March 24, at 10 a.m.
Shanghai, Amoy, F'ncosh	Harich (s)	Douglas Layrakk & Co.	March 23, at Noon.
Sh. Nazaire, H'vre, &c.	Abessinia (s)	Hamburg-Amk'ia Limit	April 2.
Vancouver (B. C.), &c.	Empress of China (n)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	March 30.
Vancouver (B. C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	April 27.
Vancouver (B. C.), &c.	Athenian (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	April 27.
Victoria, B. C., Tacoma	Tromont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 27.
Yokohama & Kobe	Yama (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 23.
Yokohama & Kobe	Suevia (s)	Hamburg-Amk'ia Limit	March 27, Daylight
Yokohama & Kobe	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	March 26, at Noon

March. 21, 1904.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations. Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	£ 125	all	\$260, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited ..	19,970	£ 10	£ 8	\$35, buyers
	29,955	£ 10	£ 8	\$35, buyers
Do. Founders' shares	700	£ 1	£ 1	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 850	£ 50	\$175, sellers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	£ 83.33	£ 25	\$55, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 15	£ 5	Tls. 67 1/2
Union Insurance Society, Ltd.	10,000	£ 26	£ 100	\$475, sellers
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	8,000	£ 100	£ 50	\$135
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	£ 100	£ 20	\$84
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	£ 250	£ 50	\$232 1/2, buyers
DOCKS, ETC.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.	60,000	£ 50	all	\$205
Jeo. Fenwick & Co., Limited.	6,000	£ 25	£ 25	\$47
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	£ 67 1/2	£ 67 1/2	\$373, sellers
S. C. Farman, Boyd & Co. Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 142
STEAMSHIPS, TRUGS, ETC.				
Chine and Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	30,000	£ 50	£ 50	\$21, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	20,000	£ 50	all	\$33, sellers
H.K. C. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	£ 15	£ 15	\$264
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited ..	80,000	£ 10	all	\$84
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$30, buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 5	\$124, sellers
do. Preference.	100,000	£ 1	£ 1	\$19 1/2, buyers
Toku Toku and Linper Co., Ltd.	8,500	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 35
Shanghai Tag & Lingerie Co., Ltd.	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 48, buyers
do. Preference.	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 48, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited.	20,000	£ 100	a	\$110, sellers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	£ 100	n	\$10, sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	7,000	Tls. 50	T 50	Tls. 50, sales
WHAVERIES.				
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	30,000	£ 50	all	\$92 1/2, sales
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co.	20,100	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 185, sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited.	50,000	£ 100	100	\$147, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	52,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 168, sellers
Midwood Land and Building Company.	6,000	£ 50	50	\$35, sellers
Wei-hei-wei Land & Building Co., Ltd.	3,764	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 10
Bumfry's Estate & Finance Co.	100,000	£ 10	all	\$104, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited.	12,500	£ 50	£ 50	\$33, sellers
TRAMWAYS.				
H.K. High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	1,250	£ 100	all	\$800
MINING.				
New Punjion Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	£ 11 1/2	£ 11 1/2	\$1, sellers
do. Preference shares.	30,000	£ 1	all	25 cents
Société Française des Charbonnages de Tonkin.	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$800
Roub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	£ 1	18/40	\$71, sellers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	£ 50	all	\$140
Astor House Hotel Ltd. (Tientsin).	2,000	T. Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai).	30,000	£ 25	£ 25	\$33, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited.	60,000	£ 10	all	\$144, sellers
Watkins Limited.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$73, sellers
LIGHTS.				
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited.	7,000	£ 10	all	\$140, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 116, sales
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.	30,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$123, sellers
New Electric (new issue).	30,000	£ 10	£ 5	\$67 1/2, sellers
BRICK AND CEMENT.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	50,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$25, buyers
INSURANCE.				
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	8,804	£ 12/6	£ 12/6	\$5, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	10,000	£ 10	£ 8	\$9, buyers
do. Limited.	10,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$210, buyers
Hk. Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	7,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$165, sales
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 7 1/2	all	\$124
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited.	5,000	£ 25	all	\$220, sellers
Shanghai Works Co., Ltd.	7,800	£ 20	£ 20	Tls. 425
Shanghai Electric Company, Ltd.	20,000	£ 5	£ 5	\$1, sellers
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	£ 50	all	\$124, seller & sellers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	100,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$144, sellers
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 33, sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 25
Laos-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 32 1/2
Soo Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 179
China Pr. viduit Loan Mortgage Co. Ltd.	60,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$8 7 1/2, sales
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	6,000	£ 12 1/2	£ 12 1/2	\$0, sellers
Campbell Moore & Co., Limited ..	1,200	£ 10	all	\$40, sellers
Wm. Powell, Ltd.	12,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$44, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	£ 50	£ 50	\$60
The Canton Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited ..	70,000	£ 10	£ 10	\$10, Nominal
COAL COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ltd.	67,500	£ 10	£ 10	\$10, buyers
Alhambra Limited.	800	£ 500	£ 500	\$200
LOANS.				
Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.	
Chinese Imperial 1898 1/2 %	Tls. 787,200	Tls. 250 1/2	% p. annum	Par
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Spinning and Weav.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 33.
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ing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 25
Laos-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 22½
See Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 00	Tls. 170
China P. vident Loan Mortgage Co., Ltd.	60,000	£	10	\$ 10 \$8.75, calls
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	£	12	\$ 12 \$9, sellers
Campbell Moore & Co., Limit ed ..	1,200	£	10	\$ 10 \$9, sellers
Wm. Powell, Ltd.	12,000	£	10	\$ 10 \$9, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	1,200	£	50	\$ 50 \$60
The Canton-Hongkong Ice and Cold Storage Company, Limited	70,000	£	10	\$ 10, Nominal
QUANT COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Ltd.	87,500	£	10	\$ 10 \$10, buyers
Alhambra Limited.	800	£	500	\$ 500 \$200

LOANS.	Amount.	%fus.	Interest	Quotation.
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